House Resolution No. 99

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened to learn of the death of one of the Show-Me State's most illustrious citizens, the Reverend Jonas Hubbard, Jr., of Saint Louis; and

Whereas, born on June 17, 1917, into the family of Jonas Hubbard, Sr., and Arleana (Threatt) Hubbard of Coldwater, Mississippi, Jonas Hubbard placed his faith and trust in the Lord in 1931 while residing in Arkansas; joined Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in the state of Missouri in 1943 under the leadership of the Reverend L.Q. Laws, now deceased; served his church as a highly respected deacon, usher, choir member, trustee board member, and director of the Baptist Training Union; answered the call into the ministry on August 23, 1964; was ordained on August 7, 1966; and became pastor of Mount Peiron Missionary Baptist Church in East Saint Louis, Illinois, on December 6, 1967, in a spiritual leadership endeavor which would last for twenty-two years until his retirement; and

Whereas, called "Dad" by many of his neighbors in the Carr Square Village Complex, Jonas Hubbard moved there on February 23, 1943, with his family and quickly became known as a founding resident who was passionate about the well-being of all with whom he came in contact; and

Whereas, the late Jonas Hubbard was the beloved husband of Mary Hubbard; loving father of Barbara Jean McDonald, Doris Jean and Phillip Knox, Gloria Hubbard, Jonas and Alice Hubbard, III, and Rodney and Penny Hubbard; wonderful grandfather of eighteen children; great-grandfather of thirty-six; and great-grandfather of eighteen; and

Whereas, Jonas Hubbard was a loving family man who placed a high value on the special relationships he had developed with his surviving sister, Fannie Bea Hubbard; goddaughter, Cheryl D. Young; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and

Whereas, Jonas Hubbard was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, and one sister; and

Whereas, Jonas Hubbard passed away on Saturday, January 8, 2005, at the age of eighty-seven:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Jonas Hubbard and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his many family members, friends, colleagues, and neighbors who now miss his considerable light and warmth in their daily lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of the Reverend Jonas Hubbard, Jr., of Saint Louis, Missouri.

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 99, adopted January 12, 2005.